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A Petition and Fee for a two-month Extension of Time through and including April 29, 2003 accompanies this Election.

In response to the written Restriction Requirement dated January 29, 2003 in the above-identified patent application, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group I (claims 42-56 and 59), without traverse.

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